

## STATE of MINI

WHEREAS:

Wednesday, October 29, 2014, marks the 91st Anniversary of the founding of the

Republic of Turkey; and

WHEREAS:

Turkey has made significant contributions to United States foreign policy in the Balkans, the Middle East, Central Asia, and the Caucasus, and has played a critical role in international efforts for peace, prosperity, and stability; and

WHEREAS:

Turkey was one of the first allies to show unconditional solidarity with the United States in the war against terrorism, and has commanded the

International Peacekeeping Forces in Afghanistan three times; and

WHEREAS:

Turkish Americans contribute to the fabric of Minnesota and have played a significant role in the educational, cultural, economic, and civic development of our community, by sharing their rich cultural heritage and through their

dedication to the responsibilities of good citizenship; and

WHEREAS:

Today, we recognize and celebrate the history, culture, and contributions of

Turkish Americans in Minnesota.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, October 29, 2014, as:

## TURKISH REPUBLIC DAY

in the State of Minnesota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 20th day of October.

SECRETARY OF STATE